

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: )  
Keiji Mabuchi ) Group Art Unit: 2814  
Application No. 10/684,939 ) Examiner: John C. Ingham  
Filed: October 14, 2003 )  
For: SOLID STATE IMAGING DEVICE AND )  
CONTROL METHOD FOR SAME )

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

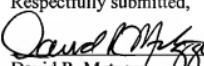
Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office communication dated November 20, 2006. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.

**ELECTION OF CLAIMS**

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects Group I, Claims 1-9 and 16-31 for further examination.

Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims and/or to request rejoinder of non-elected claims.

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